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**HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 98**  
**46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003**  
**INTRODUCED BY**  
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**A JOINT MEMORIAL**  
**EXPRESSING THE SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF**  
**JOHN D. ROGERS.**

**WHEREAS, John D. Rogers passed away on Monday, June 24, 2002, at the age of eighty; and**

**WHEREAS, he first moved to Los Alamos, New Mexico, in 1944 and worked as a scientist during the Manhattan project and spent most of his career as a scientist at the laboratory; and**

**WHEREAS, he served in the New Mexico senate from 1970 to 1980, serving as the vice chair of the senate education committee from 1973 to 1974, and serving as the vice chair of the senate finance committee from 1975 to 1980; and**

**WHEREAS, he worked on environmental issues; simplifying New Mexico's personal income tax return; bringing a branch of the university of New Mexico to Los Alamos; helping to build**

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1 the ski hill and utility and highway infrastructure necessary  
2 for development; helping to found the Los Alamos national bank;  
3 playing a major role in acquiring part of the San Juan  
4 generating station; and retrofitting Abiquiu and El Vado dams;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, he was known as an unassuming man who was always  
7 straightforward and honest, holding himself and others to a  
8 high standard; and

9 WHEREAS, he worked as a community servant with a sense of  
10 political responsibility, while contributing to society and  
11 serving as a role model as one of the state's leading  
12 scientists; and

13 WHEREAS, he remained committed to excellence in his  
14 personal, professional and public life; and

15 WHEREAS, he remained dedicated to his wife, Patt;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
17 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the most sincere condolences be  
18 extended to the family and friends of John D. Rogers; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
20 transmitted to Patt Rogers.